



Docket No. 73607/JPW/JRM

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Josette Masle et al.
Serial No.: 10/519,135 Examiner: Kumar, Vinod
Filed : August 15, 2005 Group Art Unit: 1638
For : METHOD OF PRODUCING PLANTS HAVING ENHANCED
TRANSPIRATION EFFICIENCY AND PLANTS PRODUCED
THEREFROM

1185 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036
January 30, 2008

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 31, 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION
AS A SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) AND A PETITION
FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 31, 2007 in connection with the above-identified application and as a submission to the accompanying Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"). A response to the July 31, 2007 Final Office Action is due January 31, 2008. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) is one thousand and fifty dollars (\$1,050.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the July 31, 2007 Final Office Action is due January 31, 2008. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

02/05/2008 HVUONG1 00000028 10519135

02 FC:1253

1050.00 0P